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ARBA Breed ID Guidelines & Rules

<u>General</u>

- Contestants will be asked to identify the Breed, Showroom Variety, Registration Variety and Four/Six Class status of twenty-five (25) animals. Ideally, twenty (20) of these animals will be rabbit and five (5) will be cavies.
- All animals in the Breed ID will be over 6 months of age.
- There will be no duplicate breeds in each contest area.
- Only the answers listed in the ARBA Official Breed ID Guide will be accepted.
- At no time will contestants be allowed to have the ARBA Standard of Perfection or any notes with them in the ID area.
- There will be no talking in the Breed ID area. Anyone found talking will have their answer sheets taken from them, will be asked to leave the Breed ID area and will receive a score of zero (0). If the contestant has a question, they may raise their hand and the monitor will assist them.
- Once a contestant has started Breed ID, they are not allowed to leave the Breed ID area.
- All members of a State or District team must go thought the Breed ID at the same time.
- Each age group will be assigned a series of tie breaker questions that they are to answer.

Scoring

- Answer sheets will be scored from left to right. <u>Once an incorrect answer has been reached, no further credit will be given for that row.</u> Example, the contestant correctly identifies the animal as a Satin, but incorrectly identifies its showroom variety. The contestant will receive no further credit for the registration variety or the four/six class.
- There are twenty-five (25) rows on the score sheet and four (4) columns, totaling one hundred (100) spaces for the contestants to fill in. Each of these spaces is worth two (2) points, for a total of two hundred (200) points possible for the Breed ID contest.
- Abbreviations are not allowed and will be counted as incorrect.
- Misspelled answers will not be counted down as long as the scorers can understand what the contestant means.
- Answers must be listed exactly as listed on the ARBA Official Breed ID Guide to be counted as correct (i.e. a Holland Lop would be listed as a Broken Pattern, the word "Cavy" should <u>not</u> be listed after the name of the cavy breeds).
- Answer sheets will be added by two different people to try and insure accuracy in scoring.
- In the event of a tie, the tie breaker questions will be used to determine the winner. This is the only time that the tie breaker will be considered in the Breed ID score.